

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA  
Monday, July 8, 2013  
12pm  
Selectmen's Conference Room  
Revised Agenda**

**Call to Order:** First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini called the meeting to order at 12:00pm.

**Members Present:** First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini, Selectman Kathy Devlin, CFO Glen O'Keefe and Town Assessor Pat Juda. Selectman Bud Knorr was not available.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** All members participated in the pledge of Allegiance.

**Resignations/Appointments:**

**Emergency Management Director:**

Mrs. Pellegrini received a letter from Dan Thayer-Emergency Management Director, resigning from the position as of June 30, 2013.

*Mrs. Devlin made a motion to accept the resignation with regrets and thanks for superb service and leadership during the past few years of several FEMA emergencies, seconded by Mrs. Pellegrini. The motion passed.*

**Appointments:**

**Emergency Management Director:**

The Selectmen discussed the need for an experienced leader to replace Mr. Thayer. The role of Emergency Management Director is a volunteer role and discussion centered on how to best fill the positions of EMD and Deputy EMD to ensure the Town's needs are adequately addressed.

*Mrs. Devlin made a motion to appoint Joseph Tolisano to Emergency Management Director, seconded by Mrs. Pellegrini. The motion passed.*

**Deputy Emergency Management Director:**

The Selectmen discussed the need to have an employee assume Emergency Management responsibilities due to the increased requirements from the State and the amount of time volunteers spend on emergency management issues during the last few years.

*Mrs. Devlin, commending the exceptional service from Deputy Emergency Management Director George Collins, made a motion to withdraw Mr. Collins as Deputy Emergency Management Director and appoint Town Engineer Jeff Bord as the Deputy Emergency Management Director, seconded by Mrs. Pellegrini. The motion passed.*

**Selection of Vendor for 2014 Revaluation:**

Mrs. Pellegrini received an email from Town Assessor Pat Juda with the bids that were received for the Reappraisal and Revaluation of the Real Property for the 2014 Grand List. Ms. Juda and the selection committee ranked Vision Government Solutions as their first choice to conduct the 2014 Revaluation for the Town of Somers. The Revaluation will begin in the fall of 2013. Mrs. Pellegrini asked Ms. Juda to initiate press updates to keep the Community informed regarding the revaluation. She asked that the updates also be posted on the Town Web Site and Facebook.

*Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the recommendation to select Vision Government Solutions to conduct the 2014 Revaluation for the Town of Somers, seconded by Mrs. Pellegrini. The motion passed.*

*Ms. Juda left the meeting at 12:25pm*

**Budget Update:**

- Glen O'Keefe-CFO and the Board of Selectmen discussed and reviewed year end balances and transfers.
- Mrs. Pellegrini updated the Board on the STP Urban Project and requested approval for a resolution to submit an application to Capital Region Council of Governments (CRCOG) for STP-Urban Project Funding for the Main Street (Route 190), Springfield Road (Route 83) and South Road (Route 83) Intersection Improvement Project. Mrs. Pellegrini stated that the project cost is approximately \$ 1,600,000.00. As per funding requirements the Town share would be 10% or \$160,000.00. The remainder of the cost will be covered by 80% Federal funding and 10% State funding. Actual construction will most likely take place in 6+ years.

***Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the Resolution for the STP Urban Project, seconded by Mrs. Pellegrini. The motion passed.***

**Transfers and Supplemental Appropriations: None****Schedule of Authorized Payments:**

***Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the authorization of scheduled payments in the amount of \$91,040.91, seconded by Mrs. Pellegrini. The motion passed.***

**Adjournment:**

***Mrs. Devlin made a motion to adjourn the Board of Selectmen meeting at 1:30pm, seconded by Mrs. Pellegrini. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned.***

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim LaFleur-Recording

*Minutes are not official until accepted at a subsequent meeting.*